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In Re the Patent Application of: Frank D. Guffey and Floyd Alan Barbour
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AFTER FINAL ACTION AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
Examiner Walter Dean Griffin
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Examiner Griffin:

This after final action amendment is in response to the Office Action communication (Paper No. 16) mailed September 4, 2003. A shortened statutory period of three months has been set, making a response to this action due on or by December 4, 2003. The applicant is requesting that this time period be extended for one month to an including January 5, 2004 and has included a Petition for Extension of Time along with the prescribed fee.

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This response is made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 as amended using the format with each heading beginning on a separate page as follows:

1. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of all claims beginning on separate page 3 of this response; and note that
2. Remarks begin on page 13 of this response.

In accordance with the amendment directions provided in 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 as recently changed, please amend claim 1, cancel claims 2, 6-8, 17-22, 25, 26 and 29-33 and add claims 34-69. Each amendment is believed to have been made in accordance with Rule 121, however, should any unintended informality exist, it is requested that the undersigned be contacted by telephone so that it may be resolved as expediently as possible.